

program for individual vessel bycatch accountability. The HMAP and IVCP Committees will hold their initial meetings to discuss tasking and to develop workplans.

Although other issues not contained in this agenda may come before these groups for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these meetings. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in the agenda listed in this notice.

Special Accommodations.

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Helen Allen, 907-271-2809, at least 5 working days prior to the meeting date.

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Bruce C. Morehead,

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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South Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Workshop.

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public workshop.

SUMMARY: The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a workshop on the dolphin-fish and wahoo. A review panel and workshop participants will review biological information and current management programs pertaining to these species. The review panel will make consensus recommendations to the Council on management options for these species in the form of a written report. The public is invited to observe this workshop.

DATES: The workshop will be held May 6-8, 1998. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for specific dates and times.

ADDRESSES: The workshop will be held at the Town and Country Inn, 2001 Savannah Highway, Charleston, SC 29407; telephone: (803) 571-1000.

Council address: South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, One Southpark Circle, Suite 306; Charleston, SC 29407-4699.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Workshop Dates

May 6, 1998, 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.—Sessions I & II

Workshop participants will review and discuss available information regarding the biology, population structure and migration patterns, as well as fisheries and population dynamics of dolphin-fish and wahoo species in the Caribbean and the Southeastern United States;

May 7, 1998, 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.—Session III

Workshop participants will discuss and develop consensus recommendations relative to dolphin-fish and wahoo natural mortality, growth rate and longevity, age/size at first reproduction and fecundity, stock structure and migration patterns, data collection and research needs, and the status of these stocks before formulating consensus recommendations to the Council on data, input parameters and stock status;

May 7, 1998, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.—Session IV

Workshop participants will review available information pertaining to current dolphin-fish and wahoo management programs in the Caribbean and the Southeastern United States, and receive an update on the South Atlantic Council's request to be designated as lead council for dolphin-fish and wahoo management;

May 7, 1998, 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.—Session V

Workshop participants will consider a wide range of management options for managing dolphin-fish and wahoo throughout the South Atlantic Council's area of management jurisdiction for these species and formulate consensus recommendations on options for the Council to consider in the Dolphin-fish/Wahoo Fishery Management Plan;

May 8, 1998, 8:30 a.m. to noon—Session VI

The panel will review, discuss and approve the final workshop report and the timeframe for Council action will also be discussed.

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Conservation and Management Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in the agenda listed in this notice.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Marine Mammals

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Issuance of permit amendment.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Dr. Robin Baird, Marine Mammal Research Group, Box 6244, Victoria, B.C., Canada V8P 5L5, has been issued an amendment to scientific research Permit No. 926.

ADDRESSES: The amendment and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following offices:

Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289);

Regional Administrator, Alaska Region, NMFS, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802-1668 (907/586-7221);

Regional Administrator, Northwest Region, NMFS, 7600 Sand Point Way, NE, BIN C15700, Building 1, Seattle, WA 98115-0070 (206/526-6150); and

Regional Administrator, Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Boulevard, Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213 (562/980-4001).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On January 30, 1998, notice was published in the **Federal Register** (63 FR 4625) that an amendment of permit No. 926, issued June 10, 1994 (59 FR 31217), had been requested by the above-named individual. The requested amendment